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The annual meeting for election of Officers and Councilors was held this afternoon between the hours of 2 and 5 o'clock, after due public notice. The result of the ballot was reported by the Judges and the Clerks to the Society at its evening meeting.

Stated Meeting, January 6, 1893.

Mr. THOMAS H. DUDLEY in the Chair.

Mr. Harold Goodwin, a newly elected member, was presented to the Chair and took his seat.

Dr. Elliott Coues requested by letter a further extension for three months of the time during which he could retain the Lewis and Clark MSS. Upon motion, the request was granted.

Acceptances of membership were read from Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, Philadelphia; Dr. James Macfarlane, Lansdowne, Pa., and Dr. James Ellis Humphrey, Amherst, Mass.

An invitation from the Wadsworth Athenæum, at Hartford, to be present at the opening of the new Libraries and Art Galleries, was read.

The Enoch Pratt Free Library of Baltimore requested to be placed on the Proceedings' exchange list. On motion, the application was granted.

The Academy of Natural Sciences acknowledged the receipt of the Secretary's letter of December 16, relating to the Keating-Poinsett Collection, stating that the same had been referred to the Curators.

A circular from the American Folk-Lore Society, announcing its annual meeting for 1892 at Boston.

Accessions to the Library were reported from the Royal Asiatic Society (Straits Branch), Singapore; Royal Society of Victoria, Melbourne; Department of Mines, Wellington, N. Z.; Anthropological Society, Tokyo, Japan; *Statistika Central Byråus*, Stockholm, Sweden; *Maatschappij der Nederlandsche Letterkunde*, Leiden, Holland; *Académie Royale de Belgique*, Bruxelles; *Académie des Sciences*, Cracow, Austria; Anthropologische Gesellschaft, Vienna, Austria; Naturforschende Gesellschaft, Altenburg, Germany; Physiologische Gesellschaft, Gesellschaft für Anthropologie, etc., Gesellschaft für Erdkunde, Berlin; Gartenbauverein, Darmstadt; K. Oeffentliche Bibliothek, Dresden; Verein für Erdkunde, Halle a. S.; Deutsche Seewarte, Hamburg; Geographische Gesellschaft, Munich, Bavaria; Naturwissenschaftlicher Verein, Regensburg; Biblioteca N. C. Firenze, Italia; R. Accademia dei Lincei, Rome; Société de Géographie, Lille, France; Commission des Annales des Mines, Société de L'Enseignement, Société de Géographie, Rédaction *Cosmos*, Paris; R. Academia de la Historia, Madrid, Spain; South African Philosophical Society, Cape Town; R. Astronomical Society, R. Geographical Society, Editors of *Nature*, London; University Observatory, Glasgow; Royal Society, Edinburgh; Mr. Horatio Hale, Clinton, Ontario; Canadian Institute, Toronto; Boston Athenæum, Society of Natural History, Boston, Mass.; Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.; Travelers' Insurance Co., Hartford, Conn.; Editors of *American Journal of Science*, New Haven; Brooklyn Library; Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.; American Institute of Electrical Engineers, Mathematical So-

society, Meteorological Observatory, Dr. Joel Asaph Allen, New York; Mr. William John Potts, Camden; Free Public Library, Jersey City; College of Pharmacy, Editors of the *Medical News*, Editors of the *Medical and Surgical Reporter*, Hon. Frederick Fraley, Dr. Walter M. James, Dr. D. Jayne and Son, Messrs. Abraham Jordan, J. G. Rosengarten, David Henry Wright, Philadelphia; Editor of the *American Chemical Journal*, Baltimore; Commissioner of Pensions, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Census Office, Hydrographic Office, Washington, D. C.; University of California, Berkeley; Agricultural Experiment Station, Lincoln, Neb.; Instituto Fisico-Geografica, San José, C. A.; Société Scientifique du Chile, Santiago, S. A.

The following deaths were reported :

Sir Richard Owen, December 18, 1892, æt. 89.
John O. Westwood, January 2, 1893, æt. 88.
Eben N. Horsford, January 1, 1893, æt. 75.
Isaac C. Martindale, January 3, 1893, æt. 50.

The President was authorized to appoint a suitable person to prepare the usual obituary notice of Mr. Martindale.*

The report of the Clerks and Judges of the election held this afternoon at the hall of the Society was read, and the following members declared to have been duly chosen Officers and Councilors for the ensuing year, 1893 :

President.

Frederick Fraley.

Vice-Presidents.

E. Otis Kendall, W. S. W. Ruschenberger, J. P. Lesley.

* Dr. Joseph T. Rothrock was subsequently appointed.

Secretaries.

George F. Barker, Daniel G. Brinton, Henry Phillips, Jr.,
George H. Horn.

Curators.

Patterson Du Bois, J. Cheston Morris, R. Meade Bache.

Treasurer.

J. Sergeant Price.

Councilors.

William A. Ingham, Thomas H. Dudley, Robert Patterson,
Charles S. Wurts.

(*Councilor for two years, in place of I. C. Martindale, deceased.*)

Henry C. Baird.

This being the evening for the nomination of a member to serve as Librarian of the Society during the ensuing year, Mr. Henry Phillips, Jr., was renominated, and the nominations were closed.

Mr. Goodwin exhibited a portrait of the late John Vaughan Eyre.

Pending nominations Nos. 1235, 1249, 1250 and 1251 were read.

And the Society was adjourned by the Presiding Member.